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RALPH PATTERSON.

AGAIN FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

Following extracts are taken from a letter from Ralph Patterson, of the 38th Regiment, service in the Philippines, written from San Jose, 4th to his brother James place.

Our regiment has been more marching and seeing of the country over here than any other regiment on the island, but we have just gone into quarters which means, I presume, that we are to rest for a while. With all our pushing and pulling, we have done no fighting since we landed. There is no fighting on these islands except on the coast. The troops generally doing duty on the islands down.

The soldier life first rate, and perfect health, but I would much better if we could have some home life.

Today is Sunday so the alms are very little here to remind you of the Chickens fighting is one of the great national sports here; there is any one thing that distinguishes us from the other days, it is the fact that there are more fights that day than any other.

The natives here look like neophytes with the exception that they are straight, black hair instead of wool. Their religion strikes you as being peculiar they all have religion—of Roman Catholic. To see them seem kind; but they are treacherous at heart, and will kill you in a minute if you turn your back to them.

Some of our officers think that we get back to the States by October, but I hardly expect it, yet, there is no news for keeping the U. S. V's or there is no fighting. I send me a paper. It costs you two cents to send, while you are about here, you might send me a buck and a mess of fresh fish.

I weigh 130 pounds, but lots of people are sick. I can play out the big fellows on a hard day. It is the light slim men who are most. We are in a part of the island.

I have been about three months here. I get an answer to this, you answer it promptly; news from home is a little better, we get it; yet, you can't imagine how much we appreciate what we do get. I don't know whether we remain here through the winter or go to Manila. I have the management, we will go to Manila.

Goodbye, RALPH.

WHIPS COVE.

showers bring May.

Plessinger has moved to Whips Cove again.

It does not seem to be any improvement in the condition of the boys.

Smith has moved onto Morgret's farm, Benjamin has moved to Cummins and Denton Mellott has the Houpt farm.

Low Smith and Cal Morley are hauling shingle bolts today, their team pulled the tongue was broken out of the wagon.

Layton was a business man in Bedford county, re- turned to the Cove a few days ago.

Layton, who had been in Bedford county, returned to the Cove a few days ago.

Residing at Jerusalem last night and Sunday morning, was largely attended.

Harry Plessinger was superintendent of the school.

John McKee, of the Cove, visited friends in the Cove last week.

MRS. ELIZA HOOVER.

Mrs. Eliza Hoover died on Tuesday afternoon of last week at the residence of her son, James H. Hoover, Waynesboro, after a long illness. She was aged seventy-four years. Mrs. Hoover was a daughter of Dr. James Brotherton and the widow of Daniel L. Hoover, a prominent member in his time of the Carroll county, Md., bar, practicing at Westminster, Md., for many years. Three sons survive. They are Rev. Robert H. Hoover, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Perryville, Md., and for several years pastor of the Presbyterian church at McConnellsburg; one son in the west and James H. Hoover, Waynesboro, with whom she made her home. Miss Kate Brotherton, Waynesboro, is a sister. Mrs. Hoover was a faithful member of the Presbyterian church and an active member of its aid society. She belonged to one of the oldest families of Waynesboro. During part of the time that her son was pastor of the church in this place, Mrs. Hoover resided here; boarding at the Washington House, and she won to herself, by her gentle cultured manner, a large number of friends who will be pained to hear of her death.

McKIBBEN.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Mellott spent Sunday with the family of Mr. and Mrs. John Conner.

The Sunday school at Pleasant Grove is starting out with a large attendance and excellent interest. It is to be hoped that the entire neighborhood will join in trying to make it a center of influence for good. There ought much good to result from a careful methodical study of the Holy Scriptures.

Last Sunday, Maud Clark was at Viola Hess's; Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Smith and daughter Bell, were at Amos Barber's, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mellott were at William Mellott's.

Next Sunday Rev. J. W. Troutman will preach at Pleasant Grove at 10.30 a. m.

Miss Mary Mellott who some time ago fell and hurt her arm is, we are glad to say, improving.

The following are teachers in Pleasant Grove Sunday school: George D. Morgret, Johnson Layton, Mrs. Ida Mellott, Mrs. Sadie Palmer, Mrs. Barbara Smith, and Mrs. Lizzie Garland.

Samuel Mellott of Whips Cove is dead. His remains were interred at Sideling Hill Baptist church on Monday.

Joe Garland and family were the guests of Morton Hess Sunday last.

Johnson Truax and wife and Hank Truax and wife and little boy, and Maud Clark were guests of Aaron Hess Sunday last.

Mrs. Ellen Clark and Lula Clark were visiting George G. Mellott's last Sunday.

Aaron Hess and Mrs. Mary C. Rice, we are glad to say, are on the mend, but Mrs. Adam Hess is still on the sick list.

Levi P. Morton, teacher of Philip Morgret's school, closed his winter term Friday, April 6th. Mr. Morton was a very good teacher. The scholars all felt very sad when the school closed. They all bated to part from their kind teacher.

Clark and Calhoun will soon be done sawing at Wm. Truax's. They expect to move to Buck Valley to saw for Franklin Hess.

The letters of Rev. S. L. Baugher were welcomed by his Fulton county friends who are waiting to read some more of his good items.

Mrs. Alfred Peck is on the sick list.

When we look over the death record we find that there is hardly a day passes by but that some one is called away. It makes us think that we must soon go to. We shall all meet again on the great Judgment morning. The books will be open; the roll will be called. Oh! how will it be, if forever we're parted, and shut out of Heaven for not being good. Oh! may every individual always be good, so that there may not be anyone shut out.

Nearly all your neighbors take the News. Now, don't they?

SAMUEL S. MELLOTT.

Another of Fulton's octogenarians has been called from time to eternity during the past week. This time it was one of Whips Cove's venerable citizens in the person of Samuel S. Mellott. He was born on the 6th day of January 1817, and spent most of his life on this side of the mountain in Belfast township. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Henry P. Vanclief in Whips Cove last Saturday evening at the age of 83 years, 3 months, and 1 day. His wife preceded him to the other world about twelve years.

Mr. Mellott was the father of nine children, five of whom, four sons and one daughter, survive him, namely, Moses, of Thompson township, Asa, Nathan, and Mrs. E. Vanclief, of Whips Cove, and Dennis, of Cranbridge, Md.

Mr. Mellott is a true type of the older citizens of the county; a man of quiet demeanor, he always had the esteem of a large number of friends, and raised a nice family. His remains were followed to their last resting place in the cemetery at the Sideling Hill Baptist church, by a large number of relatives and friends.

BIG COVE.

The remains of the old stone barn on Thomas Sloan's farm is being torn down and converted into a firebrick.

Mrs. Bard McDowell and her two children of Lehmastor were visiting among their many friends in the Cove last week.

A very interesting "spelling bee" was held at McNaughton's school house Thursday evening of last week. Both old and young were there and enjoyed just such a time as we often hear our fathers talk about. Everybody did well. Roy Kendall was the last to quit the floor.

George Garner and his bride have just returned from their wedding trip.

The Misses Sarah and Ida Nesbit who have been visiting their brothers since the death of their father, returned to their home in New Bloomfield on Monday. Samuel Nesbit with his daughter Miss Netha accompanied them to Mercersburg.

Pinkey is a visitor that no one cares to welcome, yet it has in some way worked itself into our community.

Country schools have closed for this winter. How much wiser and better the county should be since the many hundred children have spent the past seven months in these institutions of learning. Do not neglect to honor the teacher who has aided your boy or girl to reason and think for him or herself and thus be the better prepared for the many conflicts that every boy and girl will be called upon to encounter as he or she passes from school life into life's school.

NEW GRENADA.

Hurrah! for Dewey!—He needs it.

Spring fever is gaining a foothold among our people.

Dr. R. B. Campbell made a professional visit to Orbisonia one day last week.

C. B. Stevens, merchant tailor of McConnellsburg, was in town last Wednesday doing business among the boys.

Bruce Woollet, of Fort Littleton, passed through town on his way to Robertsdale, Monday.

The miners at Robertsdale and Woodvale are on a strike. We hope they may soon get their demands and get to work again.

Mrs. S. F. Grissinger, at this writing, is very poorly—suffering from a complication of diseases, which may prove fatal.

Easter services will be held at Zion at 10.30 a. m., and at New Grenada, at 7.00 p. m. Special programs have been prepared for the occasion.

The following officers of Wells Valley Lodge No. 607, I. O. O. F. were installed by D. D. G. M. S. L. Buckley, last Thursday night. S. P. G., Harry Spangler; N. G., Joseph Woodcock; V. G., L. W. Cunningham; Sect'y, P. G., J. A. Wishart; Warden, P. G., J. C. Horton; I. G., P. G., J. A. McDonough; R. S., to R. S., P. G., H. M. Truax, and N. G., to V. G., P. G. Joseph H. Gracey.

SAWMILL BURNED.

Last Friday night a fire occurred which destroyed Walter Comeror's steam saw mill, located in Allen's Valley about a mile and a half from Burnt Cabins.

Everything seemed all right when the men retired to their abattoirs to sleep Thursday evening. One of the men was awake and looked at his watch at 1 o'clock. Next morning when the men arose, one of them stepped to the door of the cabin, which was on the side from the mill, and said with a yawn, "Boys! I believe I smell smoke." He walked to the end of the shanty and looked toward the mill only to find that the fire had done its work, and gone nearly out—the mill, shed, and about 1500 feet of lumber was totally destroyed. The engine and boiler were not damaged to any great extent. The loss to Mr. Comeror is about \$900.

What seems remarkable was that four men slept peacefully within twenty feet of the fire, not awaking until morning; and 200,000 feet of sawed lumber was stacked—all within twenty-five yards of the fire—and came through it unharmed; although the burnt leaves and grass showed that the fire had extended all around the lumber pile.

SALUVIA.

James E. Dowdes, of McConnellsburg, enroute to Rays Hill, was a guest at the Green Hill House, Saturday night.

Miss Blanche Barton, of Brush Creek, spent a few days very pleasantly last week, as the guest of the Misses Mann, and Miss Cora Speer.

Clarence Trout, Miss Alice Dickson, and Miss Maria Dickson Alexander, all of McConnellsburg, attended preaching services at Green Hill, Sunday afternoon.

The Grim Reaper invaded the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hann, Friday morning, and took their youngest son, Rowland, aged 18 years, 9 months, and six days. His remains were laid to rest in the Sideling Hill cemetery, Sunday morning, Rev. Fore officiating.

Miss Susan Deshong, who has been employed in the home of A. U. Nace, McConnellsburg, for several years, was compelled on account of ill health, to return to her home at this place, Thursday last.

John E. Moore, who is employed in Somerset county, was called home on account of the death of his half-brother, Rowland Hann.

There will be preaching at the Green Hill Presbyterian church, by Rev. W. A. West, D. D., Sunday, April 22, at 3 o'clock p. m.

George A. Harris continues seriously ill.

David E. Mellott, moved to the Russell farm, this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hann, a daughter.

John G. Metzler, who had been visiting in Chambersburg, returned to his home at Harrisonville, last week.

George Wible and little daughter Ellen, of Somerset county, spent a few days at the home of Mr. Wible's father, Mr. Fred Wible.

LAIDIG.

Isaac McClain has moved his saw-mill to George Kessler's.

Dill Stevens has finished a term of school at Minersville, Huntingdon county. This week he went to Wells Tannery to finish the school at that place.

Rev. Frank preached at Fairview Sunday afternoon from Ruth 1:19. This was his first sermon at Fairview. There was a fair attendance at church and Sunday school.

There will be quarterly meeting at Fairview April 21 and 22. Emma Laidig has gone to Trough Creek, Huntingdon county, where she will remain for five or six weeks.

Mrs. L. F. Davis is still quite ill.

H. K. Stevens moved to James Wilson's farm in Licking Creek township.

Say, why not quit borrowing the Fulton County News, and become a subscriber yourself?

ROLAND G. HANN.

While obituary notices of the aged portion of our population seem to appear with unusual frequency, yet they are sufficiently interspersed with those of youth and middle age, to keep before our minds the truth that there is no period between childhood and old age when one may feel that he can count upon a single week. How frequently do we see those who seem to be crossing the threshold into promising young manhood or womanhood, cut down in a day. At the age of only 18 years, 9 months, and six days, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hann, near Saluvia, on Friday the 6th inst., the subject of this notice passed to his final home. He had been in frail health for some time. Interment took place at Green Hill on Sunday. His parents and relatives have the sincere sympathy of their many friends.

DUBLIN MILLS.

Foster Bolinger has moved into E. O. Kesslering's house.

There is some talk that Richard Mills will move to Dublin Mills.

Charley Dishong has a nice lot of wood ahead for summer.

Harvey Berkstresser, our bustling young blacksmith, has improved his property greatly by putting a nice fence around his house.

Catharine McClain has returned home.

Mr. Auckerman moved onto William Miller's place last week.

What is wrong grammatically and logically with the following sentences: "A flock of wild geese were seen passing over &c., and 'All is not gold that glitters.'"

John Wright is buying up calves. He is going into the stock business this spring.

Miss Maud Shafer was seen in our town on Friday.

Charles Knepper bought a driving mare from David Winegardner last week.

Harry Lamberson, of Hustontown, was at Pigskin last week.

Carry McClain killed a black snake on Friday that measured 59 inches.

Jacob Winegardner has some nice calves ready to ship to the eastern markets, that he purchased from Brown and Heeter last fall.

The scholars that received a prize at Winegardner school on spelling, were, Bert Winegardner, Bertie Bolinger, Bessie Fields, and Blanche Winegardner.

A. L. Frank purchased a driving mare from John Foster, of Wells Valley.

Miss Witter was the guest of D. P. Anderson Sunday.

Edward G. Stevens and B. A. Deavor are going to run the sawmill in partnership.

Lee McClain is going to learn the carpenter trade with J. B. Stevens.

CENTRE.

Spring has come and the farmers in our community are busily engaged in getting ready to plant corn.

Joshua Heeter and sister Annie were visiting relatives in Huntingdon county last week.

Edward Stevens and Miss Myrtle Wilkens attended services at the Hustontown M. E. church on Sunday night last.

Master Charles and Will Hoover, who have been spending a week visiting friends in this community, returned to Hustontown last Thursday.

Charley Stevens, the famous niured of this end, accompanied his mother to Wells Valley last week.

Bert Winegardner and Harry Kesslering, who have been on the sick list for some time, are slowly convalescing.

Robert Huston was the guest of Richard Madden on last Saturday evening.

Some of our young sports are getting very tricky in the fur business.

Quite a number of our young people attended church on Sunday night.

ADAM HESS'S WILL.

Mr. Adam Hess, late of Belfast township, in his will made February 11, 1897, directed that after the payment of his debts and personal expenses, fifteen hundred dollars shall be paid to Mary Catharine, wife of William Rice, within one year from date of Mr. Hess's death; that to his grandson, Roy Adam Rice, all money that his father William Hess may owe Adam Hess at the time of Mr. Hess's death; that to his wife Dolly Hess, and his two sons, John Franklin Hess and Joseph League Hess, and to his daughter Fanny, all the rest—real, personal, and mixed—to be apportioned among them as they may agree, giving and securing to Mrs. Hess a good and comfortable home so long as she may remain his widow. In case of disagreement of parties last named, distribution shall be made according to law. J. Nelson Stipes was named as executor.

CLEAN UP.

As Spring comes on the necessity for cleaning up is made apparent. During the long disagreeable winter months the streets and lots have been made the receptacle for all kinds of rubbish, and if we would maintain the reputation of a place where good health abounds, this filth must be promptly cleaned up before decay sets in. Let every household appoint himself a committee of one to look after his own premises and see that the surroundings are kept clean, and let the borough authorities see to it that everything objectionable is removed from the streets and alleys. This will make our town bright and attractive and is conducive to good health.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

Easter communion service in the Lutheran church next Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock; preparatory services on Saturday preceding at 2.30 o'clock. In the evening at 7.30 an Easter program will be rendered by the young folks; consisting of recitations, solos, duets and dialogues. All are welcome. Also communion services at Big Cove Tannery Lutheran church on Sunday at 2.30 P. M.

LOCUST GROVE.

David Hoopengardner and sister, of Bedford, were visiting friends and relatives in the Cove last Friday and Saturday. They look well.

Ed. Layton and George Diehl have gone to Clearfield county. We wish them good luck.

Moses Mellott and wife, of Plum Run, were in the Cove last Friday and Saturday.

Ira Smith says that he wants to plant corn about the 20th of this month. Ira is a hustler.

The Locust Grove school closed the 10th and the Oak Grove will close the 17th.

There will be preaching at the upper church next Saturday night by Rev. J. M. Troutman.

Miss Pearl Diehl is visiting friends in the Cove.

While the Sideling Hill boys were on their way home from preaching last Saturday a week, one had a misfortune and fell in the creek. Hold to the hand pole the next time.

David Jay, of Bedford county, was in the Cove last week.

Simon Layton made a flying trip to Sideling Hill last week.

James Layton is working for H. P. Vanclief; W. H. Garland, for N. W. Mellott.

LOST HER LIFE.

Saturday night while W. W. Potter was returning from a lodge he discovered the house occupied by George Beers, at Baileysburg, Perry county, on fire. As he could not arouse the inmates he broke in the door and found the husband, wife and two children soundly sleeping in their rooms on the second floor.

As the flames rushed up the stairway the two children were pitched out of the window to Mr. Potter and the husband followed.

Mrs. Beers hesitated and that instant the floor sank into the flames, carrying her with it. Her charred remains were discovered among the ruins Sunday morning. She was aged about 25 years.

You like to read the News, why not subscribe for it—now.

PERSONAL.

Mr. John B. Sipes of Laidig was in town Friday.

Squire Will Peck, of Gem, spent Tuesday in McConnellsburg.

Sam Dickson accompanied Mr. West to Greenhill last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Kirk spent Tuesday night with friends at Hustontown.

J. L. Jackson and son Marshall, of Akersville, were at the county seat Friday.

Ex-Commissioner S. K. Cline, of Burnt Cabins, spent Friday in McConnellsburg.

Miss Maggie Foreman is spending a few days this week with Miss Alice Hoke of this place.

Miss Nellie Daniels is home from Philadelphia and busy unpacking her new millinery goods.

Miss Annie B. Frey returned Saturday night from Philadelphia where she had been last week purchasing her spring millinery goods.

Mrs. B. W. Peck and her niece Mary Peck, are visiting Mrs. Peck's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Young, and other friends at Hollidaysburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Runyan, of this place, spent last Wednesday night at Needmore with Mr. Runyan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ahimaz Runyan.

Mr. James E. Downs, of the News office force, is spending a week with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Peck in Bedford county.

Mr. Gilbert Booth, of Tod township, left Monday morning for Lehmastor, Franklin county, to attend Prof. Kuhn's summer Normal at that place.

Misses Sarah Ann and Ida Nesbit, who have spent several months in the family of their brother Samuel, in this place, returned to their home in New Bloomfield, on Monday.

Mrs. L. V. Mills, who has been living with her son George Garner, in Ayr township, leaves this week for Fredericksburg, Lebanon county, where she will make her home indefinitely.

Mr. Cecil Sipes and sister Ollie, of Licking Creek township, spent last Thursday with the family of Ex-Sheriff Sipes at the toll-gate. We understand that Cecil intends to read law. He is an excellent young man and is worthy of success in any line he may choose.

Dr. West, of Carlisle, preached in the Presbyterian church at this place last Sunday morning and evening and at Greenhill Sunday afternoon. He will preach here again morning and evening next Sunday a week. Mr. West has accepted the call to this pastorate, his work dating from the first of this month.

Mr. J. G. Reinsner, of the firm of Geo. W. Reinsner & Co., of this place, is in the eastern cities this week purchasing new stock for their store. Accompanied by Mrs. Reinsner, he left here last Saturday, and remained over Sunday with friends at Shippensburg. We trust the trip will do Mrs. Reinsner lots of good, as she has been in poor health for some time.

MARRIED.

BARTON-BUSSARD.—At the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. J. R. Logue, on the first day of April 1900, Emory W. Barton, of Brush Creek township, and Miss Etta J. Busard, of East Providence township, Bedford county.

GARNER-BAKE.—At the parsonage of the M. E. church in this place on Tuesday, April 3, 1900, by Rev. H. M. Ash, Mr. George Garner, of Ayr township, and Miss Rheue L. Lake, of Licking Creek township, both of this county.

LODER-GIBSON.—On Saturday, April 7, 1900, at the office of the officiating justice, L. H. Wible, McConnellsburg, Pa., William Lodge of Bedford county, and Miss Sadie Gibson of Wells Valley, Fulton county.

NEW PLANING MILL.

Our friend Andy Fore, of Burnt Cabins, was up at Williamsport last week, and purchased a complete planing mill outfit of the most improved machinery; and then returned to Chambersburg and bought a new gasoline, 14 horse-power, engine to drive the machinery. The plant will be in shape to make the chips fly by the 15th of this month. There is work enough in sight to keep the mill running full time all summer.

SCHOOL REPORTS.

Jacob Lake's School—E. B. Morton. Those who attended every day during the term—Edna Deshong, Alison Truax, Goldie Deshong, Albert Mellott, George Filtry, David Filtry, and Harrison Garland. Those who attended every day last month—Anna Deshong, Edith Mellott, Goldie Deshong, Edna Deshong, Simpson Mellott, Albert Mellott, Harrison Garland, Geo. Filtry, David Filtry, Charley Filtry, Unger Mellott, Charley Garland.